(a) what are the prospects of Kharif Crops this year, item-wise, in view of the weather conditions obtaining during the period;

(b) how does it compare with last year's Kharif yields; and

(c) what is the total estimated yield this year taking into account the total production of all the varieties of crops?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c) Final estimates of area and production of Kharif crops have not yet become due from the States. It is, therefore, not possible to indicate with finality how the per hectare yields this year would compare with those of the last year. However, due to unfavourable weather conditions reported in some of the principal rice-producing States, output of rice this year may be lower than the 598 Million Tonnes achieved during Kharif, 1985. Production of Kharif pulses, coarse cereals and oilseeds may, on the other hand, show an increase in some of the major producing States, namely Rajasthan, Gujarat Karnataka and Maharashtra.

Completion of Indira Gandhi Canal

1718. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in respect of the completion of the Indira Gandhi Canal in the Thar desert;

(b) by when it is expected to be completed; and

(c) the benefits derived from the opening of the above canal?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Stage I of the Project is almost complete. In Stage II, 98 per cent of the main canal and 16 per cent of the distribution system has been completed.

(b) The stage II Project of 1984 is proposed to be completed by 1994-95 subject to availability of sufficient funds.

(c) An annual irrigation of 5.80 lakh ha. from Stage I and 8.10 lakh ha. from Stage II will accrue from the Project.

Allotment of land to registered societies and other bodies

1719. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the partiulars of the registered societies, autonomous organisations, private institutions and religious bodies which have been allotted Government accommodation/land in the Union Territory of Delhi during the last three years;

(b) what are the general terms and conditions of such allotments made;

(c) what are the dates and the terms of allotment in each case;

(d) the names of other bodies whose applications are pending and since when together with the details of applications rejected;

(e) how many of these applicants have been given land which was earlier earmarked for parks or public utilities; and

(f) the particulars of such allottees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of Sabha.